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THE SOUTH CAROLINA HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Since the publication of the April magazine the following members have been added to the rolls of the Society:

John S. Tilney, Orange, N. J.; J. A. Berry, Orangeburg, S. C.; Miss Caroline Moreland, Charleston, S. C.; Hon. A. F. Lever, Wallaceville, S. C.; Thomas B. Rowland, Norfolk, Va.; Malcolm Macbeth, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Nathaniel Baxter, Jr., Nashville, Tenn.; T. F. Screven, Savannah, Ga; Mrs. H. W. Richardson, Columbia, S. C.; J. Coleman Drayton, New York City.

The following donations have lately been made to the Society:

By Mr. Horace J. Smith, of German Town, Philadelphia, Pa.: A handsomely framed new print from John Stall's engraving of Benjamin West's famous painting, "William Penn's Treaty with the Indians when he founded the Province of Pennsylvania in North America in 1681." "To the Proprietaries of the Province of Pennsylvania, &c. &c." the original prints "Engraved from the Original Painting belonging to the late Thomas Penn Esquire" were "respectfully Inscribed by Their obedient humble Servant John Boydell", "Engraver in Cheapside London", when he first published them "June 12th 1775". Mr. Smith found the original copper plate in Linden last summer and, as he descends from two of the characters in the painting, he bought the plate and had a number of prints made therefrom. Mr. Smith gives the following family tradition as to the characters in the

picture: "William, son of James Logan, putting his finger successively on the figures said to my aunt; 'This one, standing next William Penn', (a young man) 'is my father, James Logan.' " * * * " "The one next beyond Logan is Thomas Lloyd." " * * * " "Between Logan and Penn is the portrait of Thomas Story' ancestor of William W. Story. 'Between Logan and Lloyd is the portrait of Benjamin West's father. The young man at the right, leaning on a trunk, represents West himself; and the Indian Squaw, with a papoose, represents West's wife.' "

By Mr. Henry R. Laurens, of Charleston, a member of the Society: Thirty letters written by Hon. Henry Laurens and by his son Henry Laurens, Jr., between 1785 and 1794, dated at Charleston or Mepkin plantation and addressed to Mr. William Bell, a merchant of Philadelphia. These letters were recently offered for sale by a descendant of Mr. Bell and were purchased by Mr. Laurens for presentation to the Society.

By Mr. John Harleston: A number of documents that formerly belonged to Major Isaac Harleston, of the 2d South Carolina Continental Regiment. Most of the papers are returns of the 2d Regiment and official orders and letters concerning the same, but there are other papers that throw light on other phases of our history.

By Rev. John Johnson, D. D., a member of the Society: A number of books and pamphlets, including a set of *Official Records of the Union and Confederate Navies*.

By R. D. Lee, Esq; a member of the Society: A copy of William A. Schaper's *Sectionalism and Representation in South Carolina*.

By Mr. Jacob Cox Parsons of Brooklyn, N. Y.: A copy of *Extracts from the Diary of Jacob Hiltzheimer, of Philadelphia, 1765-1798*. (Philadelphia, 1893.)

By Dr. Jos. Lyne Miller: A copy of *Ancestry and Descendants of Lieut. John Henderson, of Greenbrier County, Virginia, 1650-1900*. (Richmond, Va., 1902.)

The forty-seventh annual meeting of the Society was held on May 19th last, and the new year began under the most favorable auspices. It is to be hoped that during the year the membership of the Society will be greatly increased. It is only by an increase in membership that the usefulness of the Society can be increased.